In Loving Memory

Sunrise **Emma L. Holmon** Sunset

May 15, 1942 May 25, 2009

Saturday, June 6, 2009

11:00am

Friendship Missionary Baptist Church

1905 Florida Street

Vallejo, CA

Rev. Dr. Caroll Broadfoot, Jr., Pastor during the Interim

Officiating

Obituary

Emma Loyce Holmon was born to Hallie and James Holmon on May 15, 1942 in Beaumont, Texas and dedicated her life to Christ at an early age. She grew up in Woodville, Texas and graduated from Henry Scott High School.

Despite the times of segregation, Emma went on to earn her Bachelor's Degree from Prairie View A & M College in Music in1963. At the age of twenty she began her teaching career in Woodville, Texas. She also received a Master's Degree from San Francisco State University, San Francisco, CA

Around 1968, she moved to Vallejo, California and affiliated with the Head Start program in Fairfield, California. Shortly thereafter she became employed with Vallejo City School District where she had thirty-five years tenure as an Early Childhood Educator and became a Site School Manager of Child Development. After her retirement in June of 2003 she became a full time travel agent with the Mad about Travel Agency. Emma loved to travel and meet new people. Her profession afforded her many opportunities and she often spoke of the friends she had made around the world. When Emma was not traveling internationally she was traveling from sibling to sibling and state to state making sure her family was all OK.

Emma was a member of Friendship Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. Dr. Caroll Broadfoot, Jr. She was a Preteen Leader with the Youth R.E.S.P.E.C.T. Group; Singles Ministry; Frances L. Chambers Bible Class; Coordinator of AB Girls of the American Baptist Women Ministry; member of the mass choir and Coordinator of travel for the Exceptional Women of God (E.W.O.G) Haiti Mission Ministry.

Emma was inducted into Vallejo Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. in 1975 where she held various positions - Chapter President, Social Action Chair, Corresponding Secretary, Delta Academy Coordinator, Chapter First Vice President and Financial Secretary.

For more than thirty years, Emma has been an advocate for children through various affiliations and community service organizations and a passionate and dedicated long time supporter of the Willie B. Adkins Project (formerly Tanner Project). While serving in this capacity she was instrumental in the planning and execution of the Out-of-State College tour, "100 Men Who Can Cook" fundraising program, and the Parent Support Network.

Believing in the well-rounded development of children and her love and care of them, she became the proud mother of a daughter in 1990 and in 2006 was blessed with the birth of her granddaughter.

Emma departed this life on May 25, 2009, she is preceded in death by her parents: James Holmon and Hallie Fountain; Her grandmother: Emma Busby; and Sisters: Joan Fountain and Kathryn Fountain.

Emma leaves to cherish her precious memories, her daughter Elizabeth Holmon, granddaughter, Tayla Franklin; two sisters - Rose Fountain and Pat Burgess; two brothers - Kenneth and Arthur Fountain; brother in-law, Rudy Burgess; seven nephews, Dr. Anthony Hayes, Marc Hayes, Keith Hayes, Lee Reed, Kenathan Fountain, Romell Roberts and Justin Powell and three nieces, Gia Von Fountain, Sonja Fountain and Dana Jefferson.

Emma will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her. We will miss her warm and friendly personality, her dedication and devotion.

Order of Service

Sis. Emma Loyce Holmon

Musical Prelude……..Organ
Processional……Clergy and Family
Old Testament Scripture……Psalm 23
New Testament……II Timothy 4:6-8
Prayer……Deacon Rosemond Louissaint
Musical Selection……FMBC Mass Choir
FMBC Resolution……Sis. Jackie Raiford

Acknowledgements/Cards

Obituary Reading……Rev. Carolyn Dyson
Solo……Sis. Barbara Davis
Expressions……Bro. Joe Jones
Solo……Sis. Laurel Anderson
Reflections……(2 minutes please)
Solo……Sis. Mary Grant
Eulogy……Pastor Broadfoot
Selection……FMBC Mass Choir

Musical Postlude

Viewing

Recessional

Repast

Please join the family for fellowship and refreshments at:

Friendship Missionary Baptist Church

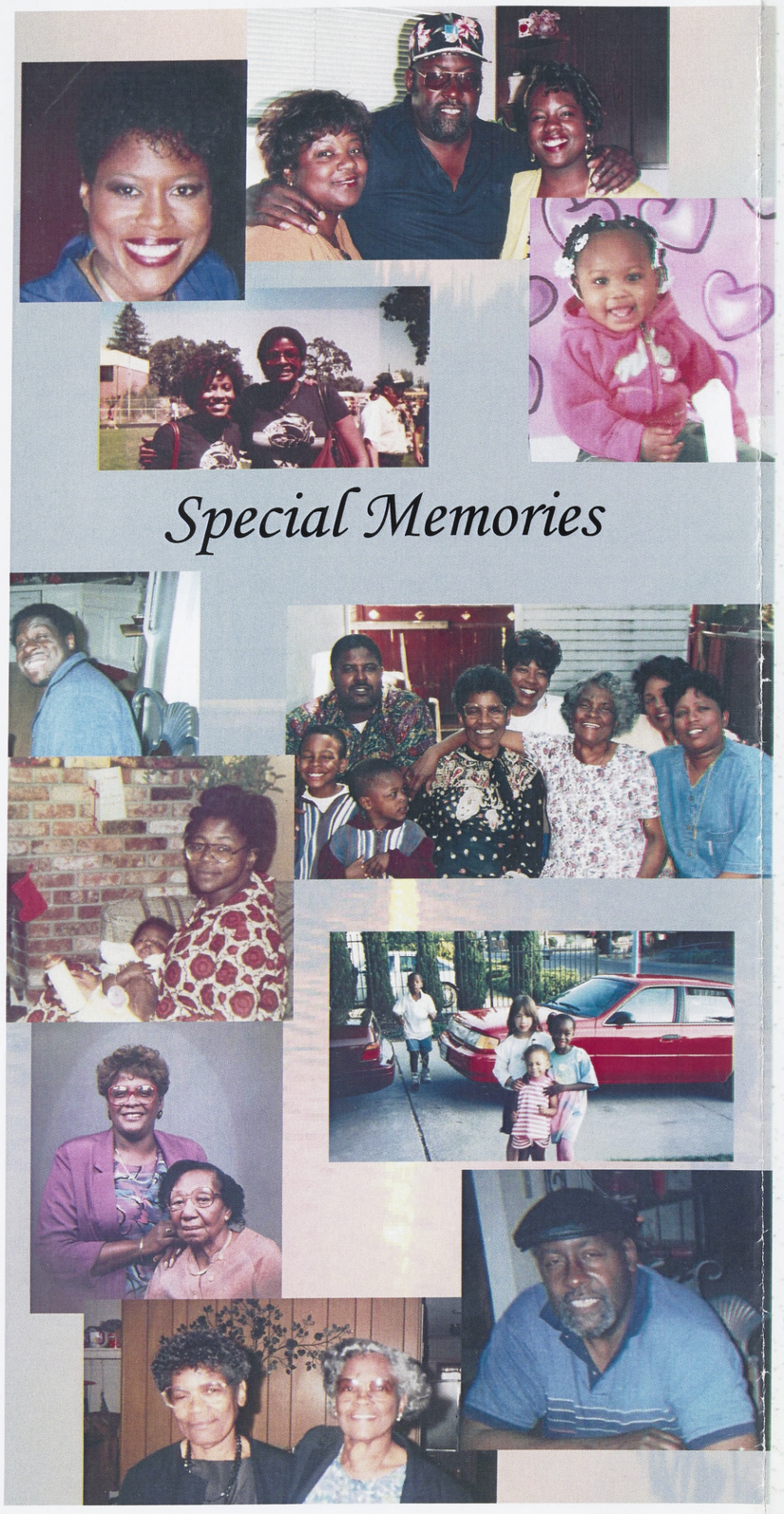
Fellowship Hall

1905 Florida Street, Vallejo, CA 94590

Acknowledgement

The family wishes to express our sincere thanks to everyone for your many words and deeds of kindness during this time and your attendance at this service.

Special Memories



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Lee Reed

Ken Hendricks

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